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PRESIDENT: Stand by for just a minute, Senator Carpenter. The Chair recognizes Senator Carpenter.

SENATOR CARPENTER: May I inquire, how many bills were reported from the committee, if any.

CLERK: There were 3 that went to General File, and one indefinitely postponed, and we are about to have about 2 more. Both are indefinitely postponed.

PRESIDENT: The Chair presumes that the body understands that they have to be printed yet.

SENATOR CARPENTER: That is what they are trying to do is get them printed so they can get them on the floor.

CLERK: The Committee on Education has referred LB 607 and the Committee reports the same on legislation be indefinitely postponed. LB634 indefinitely postponed. (Signed) Senator Warner.

PRESIDENT: Any further inquiry, Senator Carpenter.

SENATOR CARPENTER: Yes, apparently, Mr. President, we are not going to have any more bills. Which means that we really aren't going to have anything before us. I see no necessity, any desire. I see no reason certainly to be here tomorrow. And if this body is not in session tomorrow, I would presume the Committee hearings are scheduled to go forward in any case, is that correct?

PRESIDENT: That is correct.

SENATOR CARPENTER: Now we have the problem, that..do we want to come Monday, -or do we want to come Tuesday. Because we have to do something to extract these bills from these committees. And these Chairmen are going to have to get active. This is a serious problem. And there is no reason why a bill which has been put out by the committee, that they shouldn't do something to those who have the final responsibility to put them out on the floor. And if the stenographer can't get it done, and if they don't know what to do they ought to get new ones. Because this puts us in a terrific position, and in my judgement I'm only speaking for myself. Without authority. I'm only trying to stimulate the action of the body. Now would it be any help only from the standpoint of discussion if we adjourned until Tuesday with the understanding that we'd all be here and that the committees themselves would get together in order to stimulate some bills out on the floor on Tuesday, in order to give us something to do on Wednesday, and not lose another Legislative day. I would hope that somebody would react to that.

PRESIDENT: The recognizes, Senator Stromer.

SENATOR STROMER: Mr. President. I would like to react a little bit to that. We did have one bill bracketed for today. We didn't get to. We had 2 bracketed on General File for tomorrow. It looks like we had 3 bracketed for Monday. So I'm wondering maybe if we wouldn't have something to do. We didn't even get to General File today as was planned. So I see no reason why we couldn't go ahead with a full session tomorrow and Monday both, and still get some of the bills taken care of that we have bracketed.